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A Key To Eventual Peace

AT LEAST a portion of Russia's new progress in her internal affairs may hold the key to ultimate world peace.

This strange, apparent paradox concerns the Soviet improvement in its preparatory school system.

The educational system change was brought about by the Kremlin to speed the production of scientists and technicians.

Russian leaders have discovered that one reason for the economic backwardness of their country has been the Communist leadership's stupid and adamant decree that science be integrated always with the Soviet ideology. Thus, science in Russia has not been free, true, nor indeed, science!

The Russians have been adept, through their world Communist infiltration, in stealing the military ideas of other nations, notably the United States. They have managed to re-create these ideas, and, indeed, to develop some of them further.

But, initiative and true scientific reasoning have been blocked by the impossible situation which made Red scientists obtain approval of their theories from the Kremlin!

Since the death of Premier Stalin, some changes have occurred in Russia, among them the reorganized educational plan.

To this extent, at least, Russian Communists have confessed tacitly, that science cannot be restricted to any nation, race or ideology.

If they finally come to the conclusion, which, is a corollary, if they will see it, that truth, too, knows no such restrictions, the world will have its next best chance, perhaps, at peace.

One apparent reason for this belief, which has been advanced in this country by Mr. Allan Dulles, U. S. intelligence service chief, is that as education and the ability to reason from a basis of truth will make it increasingly difficult for the Russian top leadership to keep the Russian people in a fog about the world and the facts of life.

A large proportion of the people of today's Russia know nothing of world history, know little or nothing about religion and consequently have a distorted viewpoint regarding their own country, and its proper place among the family of nations.

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It seems unlikely that if Russia undertakes a real educational program that it could continue to delude its people for very long with the distortions it has been feeding its people for three generations and more.

The question the Kremlin probably perceives, involves this; the impossibility of obtaining or holding world leadership with a nation of people mentally untrained and unequipped to meet the competition provided by a western world which places great importance upon the education of all the people.

This view is significant, and interesting. It further places perhaps an even greater premium upon the maintenance of world peace, holding out as it does the possibility of an altered Russia within the next generation or so, provided atomic warfare can be held in check.